

OHIO SENATE
Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources Minutes
April 25, 2023
135th General Assembly

The Senate Committee on Agriculture and Natural Resources was called to order at 9:02 AM in the Finance Hearing Room of the Ohio Statehouse.

Attendance was taken. A quorum was present.

The minutes from the March 28 meeting was reviewed and approved by the committee without objection.

Chairman Schaffer welcomed Ranking Member Hicks-Hudson to the committee. Ranking Member Hicks-Hudson introduced herself and spoke briefly about he district and interest in agriculture.

Chairman Schaffer called up House Bill 33, sponsored by Representative Edwards for its first informal hearing and invited testimony.

The following organizations testified on the bill in front of the committee:

1. Virgil Strickler, General Manager and Alicia Shoults, Assistant General Manager (Ohio Expositions Commission), Proponent
2. Shawn Smith, Executive Director (Ohio Housing Finance Agency), Proponent
3. Angela Phelps-White, Executive Director (Ohio Civil Rights Commission), Interested Party
4. Lori Pearson, Executive Director (The Ohio State Cometology and Barber Board), Proponent
5. Philip C. Richter, Executive Director (Ohio Elections Commission), Interested Party
6. Melissa Shilling, Chair (Environmental Review Appeals Commission), Proponent

Questions and comments from the committee were heard on the testimony before the committee.

Invited Testimony on House Bill 33 concluded and constituted as the first informal hearing on House Bill 33.

With no further business, the committee adjourned at 10:34 AM.

Tim Schaffer, Chair